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WisDOT implements reorganization

In July the Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) implemented a major reorganization of the department. The new agency structure consolidates the previous six divisions into five divisions and includes these key changes:

- The new Division of Transportation System Development (DTSD) consolidates most highway project development functions at both the central office and regional levels.
- The Division of Transportation Investment Management (DTIM) expanded to provide a multi-modal focus. The division includes air, rail, transit and water programs along with multi-modal planning and programming functions.
- Field operations are now consolidated into five regions with consistent boundaries for the Division of State Patrol, Division of Motor Vehicles and the new DTSD.

The reorganization is designed to consolidate many internal administrative functions, to create efficiencies in the department.

Annual aviation awards presented

The Wisconsin Department of Transportation presented its annual aviation awards at this year's Experimental Aircraft Association AirVenture in Oshkosh on July 29, 2005. "Wisconsin is fortunate to have outstanding airport facilities, but the real strength of our aviation industry can be traced to ambassadors like Bruce Botterman and Don Winkler who have dedicated their careers to promoting aviation education and safety" said David Greene, Director of WisDOT's Bureau of Aeronautics.

This year's award winners include:

Bruce Botterman, 2005 Outstanding Achievement in Aviation Award – Botterman has served as WATA President since 1996 and has been a member since 1985. With over 40 years experience in aircraft mechanics, Botterman has worked for United Airlines, and in 1996, established New View Technologies in Oshkosh which specializes in the repair of aircraft windows. The business has added jobs to Wisconsin's economy, while saving consumer's money on window replacement.

Donald Winkler, 2005 Carl E. Guell Aviation Education Award – As a public affairs and media director at Wisconsin Aviation since 1998, Don Winkler has provided tours and shared his passion for aviation with hundreds of school children, and is a frequent speaker on aviation topics to area charitable groups. A U.S. Air Force veteran and former air traffic controller, Winkler has also been a volunteer with the Civil Air Patrol for over 30 years. The award is named in honor of Carl Guell, who worked for 38 years at WisDOT promoting aviation education initiatives.



Bruce Botterman (l), Donald Winkler (r)
Photo courtesy of Tom Thomas

Aviation art contest announced

The Wisconsin Bureau of Aeronautics is sponsoring the Wisconsin competition for the annual **International Aviation Art Contest**. This year's theme is "Air Sports and Nature in Harmony." Students between six and 17 years old are invited to submit their art before the January 10, 2006 deadline. First place winners in each age category will have the choice of an airplane ride or art supplies. Winning entries will also be entered in the national contest.

Call the bureau at (608) 266-3351 for contest entry forms. Visit the bureau's Web page at <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/air/art.htm> to view the art from past winners.

Airport Spotlight

Mauston-New Lisbon Union Airport

Owned and operated by the cities of Mauston and New Lisbon, the airport is classified as a Basic Utility Airport in the *Wisconsin State Airport System Plan: 2020 (SASP)*. Basic Utility airports are designed to serve all small single-engine



Mauston-New Lisbon Union Airport

piston aircraft and many small twin-engine piston aircraft under 12,500 pounds.

In 2003, the airport recorded 6,553 aircraft operations and was home for 15 based aircraft, including two multi-engine, 11 single-engine, and two jets. There are 18 hangars and a flight service business operating at the airport.

In 2003, the economic contribution of Mauston-New Lisbon Union Airport to the local and state economy was over \$1 million in sales, 16 jobs, and almost \$300,000 in wage income.

Profile

Area Population

Juneau County - 25,052

Juneau County employment - 9,702

County per capita income - \$20,709

Major Employers

Hess Memorial Hospital

Walker Stainless Equipment

Sandridge Treatment Facility

County of Juneau

School District of Mauston

Volk Field

Necedah Public School

Freudenbergknok (Farnam/Meillor)

Parker Hannifin

Brunner Drilling & Mfg.

Airport Stats

3,686' x 75' primary paved runway with PAPI

ACE Program

This summer marked the 16th anniversary of the ACE (Aviation Careers Education) program in Milwaukee. ACE is an aviation/aerospace education program for socially and economically disadvantaged students in Milwaukee Public Schools.

This year's program saw a record number of interns, with 35 positions at General Mitchell International Airport. This year's employers included the Federal



Transportation Security Administration,

Midwest Airlines, General Mitchell International Airport, Signature Flight Support, Paradies Gift Shops, 440th Air Force Reserve, 128th ARW, Continental Airlines, Delta, Air Tran and Evergreen. Four interns were offered full-time positions with their employers at the end of their internships.

The seven-week job-training program concluded on a "high" note, with the ACE interns receiving Young Eagle flights.

Airport Sponsor Workshop

The first annual Airport Sponsor Workshop was held March 16th and 17th at the Hill Farms Transportation Building in Madison. Four sessions were held, which included a general session with all attendees, followed by time for sponsors to work one-on-one with their Bureau project manager. Representatives from 19 airports across the state attended, from both general aviation and air carrier airports. The purpose of the workshop is to supplement our visits to airports, not to replace them.

Evaluations from the workshop were positive. The respondents liked having Bureau staff readily available in one place and the information presented in the general session was informative. Issues covered in the general session included federal funding, land use and prioritizing of projects.

We appreciate the comments received and are looking forward to next year's workshop, which is being planned for February 15 & 16, 2006.



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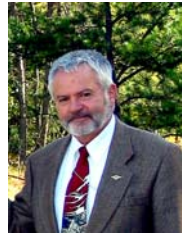
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Bureau Staffing News

Tom Thomas- On March 9, Tom retired from the Bureau as the Chief of the Aviation Management & Education Section. Tom spent over 30 years with the Department of Transportation. His career highlights include assisting Wisconsin airports resolve airport operations, safety and maintenance issues. Tom also participated in the initiation of the association of Wisconsin Hospital Helicopter Operations and drafting standards for hospital helipads. In leaving, Tom said "Truly I'll miss the people the most." One of his favorite memories was a twelve second flight on December 17, 2004 with Gary Dikkers to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers first flight.



Don Rabitz- Don Rabitz has joined a consulting firm close to his hometown of Green Bay. Don started in Aeronautics as an Airport Engineering Specialist in 2001. While working for the bureau he worked with various airports on construction projects and helped to develop the Statewide Snow Removal Equipment Specifications to help airports obtain equipment for snow removal on their airports.

Scott Brummond – On May 31, Scott became the newest addition to the Aeronautics' staff. He will serve as a principal liaison for the Bureau with high-level military, federal, state aviation officials and the public to promote a safe, secure and efficient system of airports and support the economic development of the state. The majority of his duties will include working with commercial and general aviation security. Scott has a background in the US Navy as a naval flight officer and in the ROTC program. He joined us from the Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) where one of his responsibilities was overseeing aircraft registration.



Airport Directory now available

The 2005-2006 Wisconsin Airport Directory and Pilot's Guide is now available. The updated directory features a large aerial picture of each of the 135 airports open to the public in Wisconsin. Improvements made to this edition include: In the lower right corner of the photo, a graphic of the state of Wisconsin was added with a dot marking where in the state the airport is located. Vertical lines were added to improve readability between the Communication, Navigation and Services sections. Also, in the Communication section, only those frequencies available at the airport will be listed. If there is not an FBO active at the airport, the airport manager's phone number will be listed in the Services section. Many of the improvements made in this edition came from suggestions. If you have an idea that would improve the directory, please forward them to: Jeff Taylor, jeffery.taylor@dot.state.wi.us or 608-266-7347.

The directory cover features the Waupaca Municipal Airport. The airport underwent a major reconstruction while simultaneously constructing a new interchange at the intersection of US 10 and County A, and new frontage roads north and south of US 10. The highway and airport contracts were awarded simultaneously, saving an estimated \$500,000 by using soil excavated at the airport as fill for the highway intersection. Work on the airport included the new 5,200-foot primary runway, a parallel taxiway, hangar area taxiways, expansion of the parking apron, and a completely new airfield lighting system. The airport's existing 3,900' runway became the secondary runway. The new runway will tremendously enhance the airport's ability to handle corporate aircraft and will make the airport and city of Waupaca more attractive to businesses looking to relocate, or to expand into new territory.

Updates to the directory can be found at: <http://www.dot.wisconsin.gov/travel/air/airportdirectory.htm>. Many pilots find it useful to print out updated pages and paste them into the bound book to keep their directory current.

Directories have been mailed to registered aircraft owners. To purchase your copy of the directory, contact your local FBO or send \$3.00 for the cost of the directory to: Wisconsin Department of Transportation, Maps and Publications, P.O. Box 7713, Madison, WI 53707-7713 or call 608-246-3265

Upcoming fall seminar dates announced

The following are confirmed dates for the 2005 Pilot Education Programs co-sponsored by the Bureau of Aeronautics and the FAA Flight Standards District Office. All programs run from 7 p.m. to 9:45 p.m.

November 8 – La Crosse
November 9 – Mineral Point
November 10 - Middleton
November 15 - Janesville
November 16 - Waukesha
November 17 - Kenosha
December 6 - Watertown
December 7 - Sheboygan
December 8 - Green Bay

For more information on these pilot education seminars contact Jeff Taylor at 608-266-7347.

Airport Data Changes

Is your airport data current? If not, airport users may be operating with incorrect or out-of-date information that may result in an unsafe operating environment at your airport. The FAA maintains airport information on an "Airport Master Record" or Form 5010. While the bureau performs approximately 40 "5010" inspections per year, we strongly encourage you to follow these steps to ensure your airport's official information stays current.

Download the current 5010 from this Web site:

<http://www.gcr1.com/5010web>; enter your airport's ID in the box labeled "Location Identifier" and your airport's 5010 data will appear; find the print icon in the upper right corner to print the form in its standard format. Make any corrections directly on this form and mail it to: WisDOT- BOA, Attn: Mark Pfundheller, PO Box 7914

Madison, WI 53707-7914. Please include your name, title and phone number for follow up if we have any questions.

To update changes to your airport diagram, mark up an existing diagram indicating only existing conditions, not future changes. To send an electronic diagram (.dgn, .dwg, .pdf, .tif, or .jpg) e-mail to mark.pfundheller@dot.state.wi.us Hard copies can be sent to the address listed above.

Calendar of Events

November 5-6, Oshkosh
Flight Instructor Refresher Course (FIRC)

February 25, 2006, Stevens Point
Wisconsin Aviation Maintenance Training & IA Renewal Seminar

March 2006, Kenosha
Flight Instructor Refresher Course (FIRC)

May 1-3, 2006 Green Bay
Wisconsin Aviation Conference (Wisconsin Airport Management Association)

State Airport System Plan Update

As part of a continuous update of the State's Airport System Plan (SASP), the aviation activity forecasts for each airport in the SASP have been updated. This is the first update since 1993.

Aviation forecast data is an essential planning tool and guideline for airport development in the state. These forecasts are used in airport master plans, environmental assessments for airport improvement projects, benefit-cost analyses to determine federal and state funding eligibility, and airport economic impact studies. The next phase of the continuous update of the SASP is a comprehensive review of the current state airport classifications.



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